State Governments concerned, strengthening of the local Police and Intelligence agencies through the Scheme for Modernization of State Police Forces, provision of financial assistance through the Scheme of Security Related Expenditure, sharing of Intelligence and bringing about inter-State coordination.

State Governments share intelligence and conduct need-based inter-State joint police operations against naxalites. Standing Operating Procedures (SOPs) have also been brought into effect for coordinated inter-State action. At the Central level, a Task Force under Special Secretary (Internal Security), consisting of officers of Intelligence agencies, Central Para Military Forces and concerned State Police Forces, has also been set up to bring about coordination between authorities of different States as may be necessary.

Bomb blasts in the country

1745. SHRI O.T. LEPCHA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of bomb blast incidents occurred in different parts of the country during the current year 2007;

(b) the details of loss of life and property caused by bomb blasts in the country during the last six months; and

(c) the details of the compensation/*ex-gratia* payments made by Government as well as the State Governments?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) Upto July 31, 2007 there had been 205 bomb blasts incidents mainly in Jammu and Kashmir, North-Eastern States and Naxal affected States, in which a total of 195 security forces and civilians lost their lives. The figures in terms of financial losses due to bomb blasts in the country are not centrally maintained.

(c) The State Government generally announce and pay compensation/ex-gratia amounts to the victims of terrorist activities. Details of compensation/ex-gratia paid by various State Governments to victims of each such incident are not centrally maintained. The Central Government, however, reimburses to the State of Jammu and Kashmir, North-Eastern States and naxal affected States towards the expenditure incurred by them for this purpose. In the case of such incidents in Railways, the Ministry of Railways makes *ex-gratia* payments apart from the claims as decided by the Railways Claim Tribunal.

Violence against non-Assamese people in Assam

†1746. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the terrorist organizations in Assam have made it their aim to kill non-Assamese people;

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.